

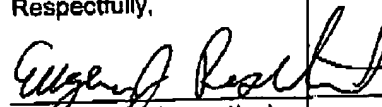
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ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450****PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)****SIR:**

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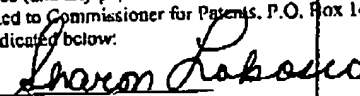
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